



A dining area boasts a handmade Murano glass chandelier and a custom-built buffet topped with limestone. FILE PHOTOS

Manny wants to sell his Ritz penthouse

First, New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady put his luxurious Back Bay condo on the market for \$10.9 million.

Now former Red Sox left outfielder Manny Ramirez has put his palatial Midtown penthouse at the Ritz on the market for \$7.9 million.

He's been trying to sell his four-bedroom, 4,421-square-foot home since 2003, off and on, depending on his mood. The first time he was seeking \$8.995 million, furnished.

It will be nine years – Oct. 29, 2001 – since he purchased the 37th floor pad in the north tower at the Residences at the Ritz, Boston Common, after adding thousands of dollars in upgrades and furnishings. Its purchase price was slightly under \$5.8 million.

DETAILS

Address: Ritz Carlton, Boston Common, 1 Avery St., Penthouse 2A, Midtown
Age: 2000; 2002
Price: \$7.9 million
Size: 4,421 square feet
Taxes: \$46,760 (FY 2009)
Condo fee: \$5,831 per month
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This property may be seen by appointment.

Carmela Laurella of Otis & Ahearn Real Estate is marketing Manny and Juliana's home this time around.

Ramirez, now 37, severed his ties to Boston when he signed a \$45 million two-year contract with the Los Angeles Dodgers last year. He has until Nov. 10 to decide whether to fulfill the second year of the deal.

It's a fabulous place, perfect for entertaining, with terrific views of Boston Common, the Public Garden, the Charles River, Back Bay and the waterfront.

In the main living spaces it has Italian marble floors, floor-to-ceiling glass windows, a deluxe mahogany-paneled entertainment center, a black granite gas fireplace and an 800-square-foot wrap-around terrace.

The U-shaped residence has five-and-a-half baths, including a master bedroom suite with custom mahogany built-ins, a study and two baths, one with a whirlpool tub. The residence also has "smart" wiring for telecommunication services.

Three deeded valet garage parking spaces and 24-hour concierge services are included in the sale.

With its location in the Ritz Carlton complex, residents have access to the hotel services, the Sports Club/LA and the Loew's multiplex theater.



The living room has conversation areas that are oriented toward the plasma TV and toward the gas fireplace with a floor-to-ceiling dark mahogany surround.